



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

Town Council

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Mayor Harry A. Watson, Councilors Peter J. Bartinik, Jr., Natalie Burfoot Billing, Heather Sherman Bond, Catherine Kolnaski, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Paulann H. Sheets, Thomas J. Skrmetti, and Elissa T. Wright.

Tuesday, February 15, 2005

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

IV. CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to ten minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

a. Approval of Minutes

2005-0038 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council of February 1, 2005 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2005-0033 Potential Land Acquisition

Referral

c. Special Trust Fund Contributions

2005-0036 Special Trust Fund Contributions

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLUTION, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Various Donations - \$514.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Various Donations - \$1,090.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

New London County Association of Insurance Women - \$1,495.00 - Police Discretionary

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

a. Town Councilors

b. Representative Town Meeting

c. Clerk of the Council

d. Town Manager

e. Town Attorney

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman Billing

b. Economic Development - Chairman Bond

c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Kolnaski

d. Environment & Recreation - Chairman Sheets

e. Finance - Chairman Wright

f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman O'Beirne

g. Public Safety - Chairman Skrmetti

h. Public Works - Chairman Bartinik

i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Watson

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

2005-0033 Potential Land Acquisition

Referral

RESOLUTION OF INTEREST IN ACQUIRING VACANT LAND OVERLOOKING THE THAMES RIVER

WHEREAS, owners of approximately 28.9 acres of land adjacent to Military Highway and overlooking the Thames River have offered that land for purchase by the Town, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has recently renewed the Town of Groton's policy of acquiring and retaining land by establishing an Open Space Fund, and

WHEREAS, the land under consideration seems to be uniquely desirable for some worthwhile Town purpose, and

WHEREAS, this land was marked in the current Groton Plan of Conservation and Development for possible future open space, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council directs staff to return as soon as feasible with information and recommendations on possible sources of funding, including a schedule for submission of a funding referendum to the voters, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the offer by the property owners be referred to the Groton Planning Commission and Conservation Commission for their review and recommendations to the Town Council.

Legislative History

2/3/2005

Mayor

Referred

Town Council Committee of the W

2/8/2005

Town Council Committee of
the WholeRecommended for a
Resolution**XI. OTHER BUSINESS****XII. ADJOURNMENT**